

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please amend claims 4 through 7 to read as follows:**

4. (once amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is methoxy, amino- or guanidino-(C<sub>3-5</sub>)alkyloxy, guanidino(C<sub>3-5</sub>)alkyloxy, piperidyl(C<sub>3-5</sub>)alkyloxy, nitro or fluoro, and R<sup>1a</sup> is hydrogen.
5. (once amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein R<sup>3</sup> is in the 3-position and is CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H or 2-oxo-oxazolidinyl.
6. (once amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein AB(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub> is (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>.
7. (once amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein R<sup>4</sup> is (C<sub>5-10</sub>)alkyl, unsubstituted phenyl(C<sub>2-3</sub>)alkyl or unsubstituted phenyl(C<sub>3-4</sub>)alkenyl.

**Please add new claim 13.**

13. (new) A compound according to claim 2 wherein Z<sup>5</sup> is CH or N and Z<sup>1</sup>-Z<sup>4</sup> are each CH; R<sup>1</sup> is methoxy, amino- or guanidino-(C<sub>3-5</sub>)alkyloxy, guanidino(C<sub>3-5</sub>)alkyloxy, piperidyl(C<sub>3-5</sub>)alkyloxy, nitro or fluoro, and R<sup>1a</sup> is hydrogen; R<sup>3</sup> is in the 3-position and is CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H or 2-oxo-oxazolidinyl; AB(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub> is (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>; and R<sup>4</sup> is (C<sub>5-10</sub>)alkyl, unsubstituted phenyl(C<sub>2-3</sub>)alkyl or unsubstituted phenyl(C<sub>3-4</sub>)alkenyl.

**REMARKS**

Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1 - 13 are pending. Claims 4 - 7 have been amended to delete multiple dependent claim language. No new matter is being added. New claim 13 is being added, support being found in claims 2 - 7 as originally filed.